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Smallpox.—A few scattering cases of smallpox still continue to be reported in the city of Manila and from the neighboring provinces. All cases have occurred in persons who showed no evidences of ever having been successfully vaccinated, with the exception of one case of varioloid which showed evidence of having been vaccinated some years ago.

Cholera.—During the week there was a sharp recrudescence of this disease in the provinces of Bohol and Negros Occidental. In view of the fact that the places which are infected have only little maritime intercourse with other sections of the islands, there is not much danger to be apprehended from the spread of the disease on these routes.

The disease still exists in sporadic form in the provinces north of Manila, and a mild form of the disease is apparently present in a large area. Careful stool examinations of cholera carriers are now being carried out.

Consular bills of health issued at the port of Manila as follows:

March 15 the United States Army transport *Sheridan*, with 187 members of crew and 360 passengers, granted a bill of health for San Francisco via Nagasaki and Honolulu. Crew and steerage passengers bathed and effects and baggage disinfected. Vessel partially disinfected. Cargo and baggage either disinfected or passed after inspection. All persons on board inspected at the hour of sailing. March 15 the British steamship *Bellerophon*, with 87 members of crew, en route from Liverpool to Seattle and Tacoma, given a supplemental bill of health after the usual inspection of cargo and personnel. March 20 the British steamship *Falls of Orchy*, with 47 members of crew, en route from Newcastle to Zamboanga, granted a supplemental bill of health.

RUSSIA.

Report from Libau—Status of cholera in St. Petersburg—Typhus fever—Plague case previously reported—Examination of emigrants.

Acting Assistant Surgeon De Forrest reports, April 23:

Cholera.—From April 16 to 21, 22 cases of cholera, with 2 deaths, were reported at St. Petersburg. April 16 a case was taken off the train from Lewaschovno, at St. Petersburg.

Typhus fever.—At Libau 19 cases of typhus fever are reported to date, all among prisoners in jail.

Plague.—The case of plague previously reported (see Public Health Reports, Apr. 30, 1909, p. 581), is still present at Libau.

April 20 the steamship *Lituania* sailed for New York with 497 emigrants on board. All had been in Libau under observation for 5 days or more and left here in good physical condition. Ninety-six pieces of baggage were disinfected with formalin gas.

ST. LUCIA ISLAND.

Reports from Castries—Sanitary conditions—Sanitary inspection.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Maylie reports, April 13:

Weeks ended April 10 and 17. Estimated population of Castries, 8,000; deaths for the week, 9. The sanitary condition of the port and vicinity is good. No quarantinable diseases exist. Sir Rupert

Boyce, of England, who is on a tour of inspection of the British West Indian islands, arrived here April 10 and is now making a sanitary inspection of Castries.

FOREIGN AND INSULAR STATISTICAL REPORTS OF COUNTRIES AND CITIES—UNTABULATED.

BRAZIL—*Pernambuco*.—Two weeks ended March 15, 1909. Estimated population, 210,000. Total number of deaths, 285, including smallpox 5, yellow fever 1, measles 2, leprosy 1, and 59 from tuberculosis.

CANADA—*Ontario—Hamilton*.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 66,967. Total number of deaths, 79, including scarlet fever 1, diphtheria 1, and 8 from tuberculosis. Cases: Scarlet fever 27, diphtheria 7, measles 4, and whooping cough 17.

Ontario—Niagara Falls.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 9,000. Total number of deaths 10. Cause of deaths not reported.

Province of Quebec.—Annual report for the year 1907. Total number of deaths, 29,007, corresponding to an annual death rate of 18.07 per 1,000 of population, which is estimated at 1,604,489. The deaths from contagious diseases were. Enteric fever 530, diarrheal disease 4,404, measles 345, scarlet fever 79, whooping cough 249, diphtheria 577, and 2,884 from tuberculosis.

Quebec—Sherbrooke.—Month of April, 1909. Estimated population, 15,000. Total number of deaths, 31, including 12 from tuberculosis.

CEYLON—*Colombo*.—Five weeks ended January 16, 1909. Estimated population, 183,872. Total number of deaths, 780, including Asiatic cholera 3, smallpox 13, enteric fever 58, measles 1, and 73 from tuberculosis.

CHILE—*Punta Arenas*.—Month of February, 1909. Estimated population, 12,000. Total number of deaths, 24, including 8 from tuberculosis.

CHINA—*Kulangsu*.—Five weeks ended March 20, 1909. Estimated population, 8,000. Total number of deaths, 10; cause of death not reported.

FRANCE—*St. Etienne*.—Two weeks ended April 15, 1909. Estimated population, 150,000. Total number of deaths, not reported, including enteric fever 2, diphtheria 5, whooping cough 24, and 26 from tuberculosis.

GREAT BRITAIN—*England and Wales*.—The deaths registered in 76 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended April 17, 1909, correspond to an annual rate of 17.1 per 1,000 population, which is estimated at 16,445,281.